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Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20554

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			Federal Communication Commission
In the matter of)	MB Docket No	Bureau / Office
Amendment of Section 73 202 (b))		
Table of Allotments)	RM	
FM Broadcast Stations)		
Waitsburg, Washington)		

PETITION FOR RULEMAKING

To the Chief, Allocations Branch

- ĺ Waitsburg Broadcasting Company ("Petitioner") respectfully requests the Commission initiate a Rulemaking Proceeding for the purpose of amending Section 73 202(b) of the Commission's rules. In support whereof the following is stated
- 2 Petitioner proposes the Commission allot FM channel 272A to Waitsburg. Washington as its first commercial FM service. This would require amending Section 73 202(b) of the Commission's rules as follows

<u>Community</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Waitsburg, WA	None	272A

- 3 Waitsburg is an incorporated city with a 2000 Census population of 1,212 persons. Waitsburg has its own locally elected government, city hall, police station, school district and several local shops, stores and restaurants
- 4 FM Channel 272A can be assigned to Waitsburg in full compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements. This is illustrated in the attached spacing study. Assuming a site restriction at NL 46-17'-17" x WL 117-59'-18" as demonstrated by the attached contour map, this site will provide greater than 70 dBu coverage for all of Waitsburg
- 5 Petitioner intends to apply for a construction permit should the Commission allocate channel 272A to Waitsburg And if the Petitioner is granted a construction permit, the station will be constructed and Petitioner will operated the proposed new station
- Petitioner hereby verifies and affirms that the statements given in this petition 6 for rulemaking are accurate to the best of his knowledge

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Engineering Statement

This Engineering Statement has been prepared on behalf of Waitsburg Broadcasting Company in support of a Petition for Rulemaking to amend §73 202 of the Commission's Rules to assign Channel 272A for use at Waitsburg, Washington

As outlined in the attached channel study, Channel 272A can be assigned for use at Waitsburg in compliance with the Commission's applicable Rules and Regulations regarding the separation among FM allotments, assuming a site restriction at NL 46• 17° 17" x WL 117• 59° 18" As demonstrated by the attached contour map, this site will provide greater than 70 dBu coverage for all of Waitsburg

Since Waitsburg is located within 320 kilometers of the US-Canadian border, concurrence of the Canadian government will be required. Notification of this proposal to Canada is thereby requested

The proposed allotment of Channel 272A will provide the first local service to Waitsburg, which is an incorporated city with a 2000 Census population of 1,212 persons per the 2000 Census Service will be provided to 6,617 persons within the 60 dBu contour

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FM Database Date 031013

SEARCH PARAMETERS

Channel 272A 172 3 MHz

Tatitude 46 17 17

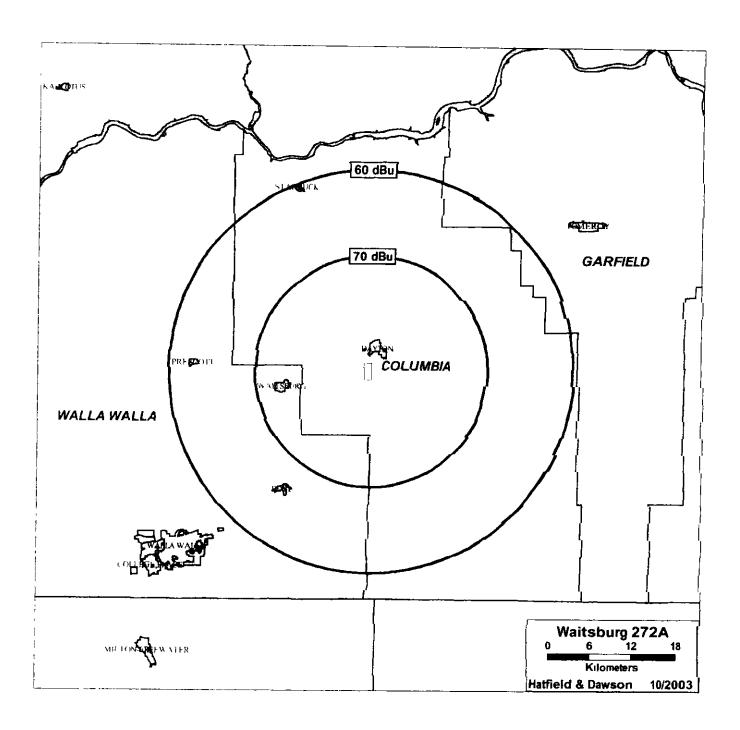
Longitude 117 59 18

Safety Zone. 32 km

Top Title WAITSBURG 272A

Cal.	Ciry C	Thannel ERP(kW) Freq HAAT(m)	Latitude Bearing	Dist Req
Status	St FCC File No		Longitude deg-True	(km) (km)
KRZM TITC	WESTON OP BLH-C00323ABX	270C2 13 500	45-47-41 194.3 118-10-06	56 58 55 1 58 CLOSE
NFW-T	LEWISTON	27JD 0 010	46-27-33 75.0	75 53 0
APP	TD BNPFT-030314BPO	102 1 650 0	117-02-18	0 00 TRANS
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NEW-T	CLARKSTON	271D 0 010	46-27-28 74 2	70.99 0
APP	WA BNPPT-030314BLH	102 659 0	117-05-56	0 00 TR AN S
DKETB	COFUR D'ALENE	272C3 0 000	47-39-35 26 9	171 63 142
RSV		102 3 0 0	116-57-12	29.63 CLEAR
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NEW-T	KENNEWICK	272D 0 080	46-10-17 262 5	9 4 54 0
APP	WA BNPFT-030828ABQ	102 3 190 0	119-12-08	0 00 TRANS
APP	KENNFWICK	272D 0 250	46-13-09 265 7	93 77 0
NEW-T	WA BNPFT-030317MSG	102 3 77 0	119-12-01	0 00 TR ANS
NEW-T	KENNEWICK	272D 0 080	46-10-17 262 5	94.54 0
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NEW-T	WAJLA WALLA	272D 0 000	46-04-50 224 8	32.48 0
App	WA BNPTT-0308?8ABN	102 3 138 0	118-17-04	0 00 TRANS
NFW-T	WALLA WALMA	2725 0 140	46-06-26 223 8	30.39 0
APP	WA BNPPT 030317MOR	162 3 141 0	118-15-38	0 00 TRANS
*RAC - PM	COLFAX	273C3 2 200	46-51-44 44 0	89 37 89
TITC	WA BLH-941028KB	102 5 329 0	117-10-20	0 37 CLOSE
KORD-FM	RICHLAND	274C 100 000	46-05-47 257 5	95 43 95
T₁+C	WA BLH 830915AG	102 7 335 0	119-11-36	0 43 CLOSE

14444 END OF FM SPACING STUDY FOR CHANNEL 272 44444



Statement of Engineer

This Engineering Statement supporting a Petition for Rulemaking to revise the Table of Allotments to assign Channel 272A for use at Waitsburg, Washington, has been prepared on behalf of Waitsburg Broadcasting Company. All representations herein are true to the best of my knowledge. I am an experienced radio engineer whose qualifications are a matter of record with the Federal Communications Commission. I am a partner in the firm of Hatfield & Dawson Consulting Engineers and am Registered as a Professional Engineer in the States of Washington and Alaska.

Signed this 17th day of October, 2003



Stephen S. Lockwood, P.E.